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LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has prepared any rehabilitation scheme for girls involved in fresh trade; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA)

(a)&(b) The Department has no specific scheme for the rehabilitation of girls involved in the flesh trade. However, the Department has a scheme called Swadhar meant for women in difficult circumstances. One of the target groups under this scheme are "trafficked' women/girls rescued or who have run away from brothels. This scheme gives shelter to victims of sexual crimes who have been disowned by their families or who do not want to go back for various reasons.

In the year 2002-03, eight projects for victims of trafficking were sanctioned in the States of (a) Delhi, (b) Haryana, (c) Rajasthan, (d) Andhra Pradesh, (e) Maharashtra, (f)Karnataka and (g) Tamil Nadu under Swadhar. The Department has also sanctioned Nine Pilot Projects in the year 2002-03 to combat trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation of women and children in the source and destination areas of Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Pondicherry and Tamil Nadu.